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Africa, just as in England and the United States, wages and salaries account for about two thirds of the national income. He endorses the views previously set forth by Professor Bowley and by the present reviewer that it is not feasible to improve materially the condition of the wage-earning classes by any process of redistribution but that appreciable betterment can only be brought about by methods which will give greater per capita production.

Protectionism is apparently rampant in South Africa as well as in this country, but Professor Lehfelddt, like most economists, has little faith that this panacea, if put into operation, will accomplish as much good as harm.

This review may well close with the words of Premier J. C. Smuts, who writes the preface to the little volume—"The student of economics, the legislator, and the average citizen will read this book with profit, and I commend the author's views to the serious consideration of all."

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Eight compact chapters, entitled Grievances, Coal Mining, The Mine Foreman and His Problem, Time for the Miner, Amount of Work for the Miner, Record of Complaints in Illinois, Discouragements and the Lack of Thrift, and The Engineering Need, constitute this study of bituminous coal mining. The introductory note is by the Bureau of Industrial Research, and there are twenty-two charts and tables. Long experience as a mining engineer enables Mr. Archbald to analyze lucidly the problems of coal mining—its intermittent character, the technical difficulties of routing empty cars to avoid wasting the miners' time, the ineffectual struggles of poorly paid foremen against too much detail, all resulting in an average daily output of scarcely four tons instead of six or eight. The industry is speculatively overdeveloped, and some 100,000 miners too many are kept on hand (idle piece-workers costing the mines nothing) thus reducing the opportunities for work for all. When miners actually mine coal during only a quarter, perhaps, of possible working hours in a year, it is imperative that the price paid per ton be high.

The book is written without bitterness, and offers no easy solution. No distinction is made between conditions in union and non-union mines, except in stating that the latter lack means of redress for grievances, such as the union mines obtain through adjustment boards and union contracts.

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